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From: Traversaro, Jodi

Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 5:36 PM

To: Monterose, Jim; Mejia, Dora

Cc:

Subject: FW: Redistricting Commission - State Library Resources and Services

Hi there! Given the wealth of resources and services provided by the CA State Library—I hope you don't mind that I asked them to provide a one page handout for you to consider providing to your commissioners.

Many thanks to SOS and the CA State Library for your efforts and services!

Jodi

From: Cismowski, David

Sent: Monday, January 10, 2011 6:44 PM

To: Traversaro, Jodi **Cc:** Aldrich. Stacey

Subject: RE: Redistricting Commission meetings

Jodi:

I've attached a one page handout, briefly describing our resources, how to get a library card, and an offer for consultation assistance. Please let me know if this is what you had in mind. If you want changes made, I can try to do so early tomorrow morning; but starting at 10:00, I'm in meetings all day.

I hope this will help the Commission, and thanks for passing it on at their January 12 meeting.

David

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## Redistricting Research Resources

The California State Library (<a href="http://www.library.ca.gov/">http://www.library.ca.gov/</a>) is available to assist with your research needs. A sampling of resources available at the library is listed below. We are also available to assist with research questions. For further information about our resources and services, please contact us at (916) 654-0261 or <a href="mailto:cslinfo@library.ca.gov">cslinfo@library.ca.gov</a> Information on how to obtain a library card can be found at <a href="http://www.library.ca.gov/services/statser5.html">http://www.library.ca.gov/services/statser5.html</a>.

## Resources Available from the California State Library

- Prior California redistricting decisions and deliberations:
  - California Senate, Assembly, Board of Equalization and Congressional district maps
  - California Senate and Assembly redistricting hearings
  - U.S. Census Bureau redistricting data
- Government reports on redistricting
- Scholarly books and journal articles on redistricting practices and their relationship to, for example, voting and race
- Research consultation—Tell us what you need to know and we'll either get you the answers or will connect you with resources that can provide the answers

## **Online Resources**

A number of online resources may also be of assistance. Here are a few examples.

- *Statewide Database*, Institute of Governmental Studies, U.C. Berkeley: <a href="http://swdb.berkeley.edu/">http://swdb.berkeley.edu/</a>
- U.S. Census Bureau, *Redistricting Data*: http://2010.census.gov/2010census/data/redistricting-data.php
- JoinCalifornia redistricting page: <a href="http://www.joincalifornia.com/page/8">http://www.joincalifornia.com/page/8</a> (not an official government Web site, but does contain many links to scans of official government information—like previous district maps)

## **Additional Research Assistance**

Other organizations may also be of assistance. Examples, with links to contact information, are below.

- California State Archives (<a href="http://www.sos.ca.gov/archives/about-the-archives/contact.htm">http://www.sos.ca.gov/archives/about-the-archives/contact.htm</a>)
- Institute of Governmental Studies, U.C. Berkeley (<a href="http://igs.berkeley.edu/contact\_us.html">http://igs.berkeley.edu/contact\_us.html</a>)